

**GRAND BARGAINS IN NEW, SEASONABLE MERCHANDISE IN ALL DEPARTMENTS
TO START SEPTEMBER SELLING WITH A BOOM!****Colored Dress Goods.**

All new and desirable up-to-date Dress Fabrics
at the lowest prices.

- 18c for New Granite Cloth Stripe Waistings, the latest
Fall colorings.
49c for New All-Wool Panama Canvas Cloth, in the
popular gray and castor shades, same weave as
the \$1.00 fabric.
79c for 50-inch All-Wool Crash Suiting, very desirable
for separate skirts, regular \$1.00 quality.
89c for 54-inch Fine All-Wool French Venetian Cloth,
all the new Fall shades, regular \$1.25 values.

The latest and newest weaves in

BLACK GOODS.

At remarkably low prices.

- 46-inch All-Wool Black Cheviot—good 50c value,
at 39c
50 pieces 48-inch All-Wool Black Worsted Storm Serges,
very durable for street wear, well worth 75c, on sale at 59c
100 pieces 46-inch Black All-Wool Imported Novelty Suitings in all
the new weaves, such as Shark Skins, Basket, Etamine,
Zibeline, Creponette, etc., regular \$1.25 value—on sale at 98c
50 pieces 54-inch All-Wool Black Venetians and Broadcloths, shrunk
and sponged, can't be matched anywhere for less
than \$1.25—on sale at 98c

SILKS.

- 19-inch Yama Mai Taffeta, all shades and black and white—50c
quality for 39c
28-inch Waterette Taffeta Black Silks, new—only,
per yard \$1.25
21-inch Black Beau de Soie, Swiss make—\$1.29 quality
for 98c
20-inch All-Silk Black Taffeta, wear guaranteed—60c quality for,
per yard 55c

Fall Flannelettes.

- 100 pieces of extra quality double-fleece Flannelette; regular price
10c—special price 7½c
White Twill Shaker Flannel, 32 inches wide—special
price 10c
Printed French Flannel, 50c quality—special
price 25c
English Pajama Shirting, 32 inches wide, 25c quality—a
bargain at 15c

**Grand Preliminary Opening in the
Millinery Department.**

All that is New and Up-to-Date in Hats will be shown on our Second Floor To-morrow.
Special low prices have been made in this and all other departments to begin Fall season.

MILLINERY DEPARTMENT.

READY-TRIMMED HATS in All the Late and Fancy Materials.
Untrimmed Hats, in flats, round and dress shapes, plain, stitched, wool and fur
felt, mohair, Oxford, cloth beavers and napped goods, in all the staple colors and fancy
shades of the season. Particular attention given to Misses' and Children's School and
Dress Hats. We are prepared and will be pleased to meet and accommodate any and
all of our patrons.

250 Beautifully Trimmed Hats, every one different, copied from the best patterns and
made by the best manufacturers in New York City. \$4.98
worth \$7.50—Opening Sale Price.

200 PATTERN HATS from the best Parisian milliners, showing all
the new trimmings, very chic and nobby, prices from \$12.00 to \$50.00
Beautiful assortment of Trimmed Hats, 100 different styles, copies of
French models, actually worth \$3.25—Opening Sale Price \$2.25

50 dozen Wings, in black and colors; 50 dozen Feather Pompons, black and colors; 50 dozen flowers,
all black; just the things for your street hats, actually worth 25c—Opening Sale Price 19c

White and Black Maribaux Pompons, extra good quality, large size, actually worth 5c—
Opening Sale Price each 49c

Real Ostrich Pompons, all colors and combination shades and ombre effects, actually worth 98c—
Opening Sale Price each 69c

**Waists, Suits and Skirts.**

For \$4.98—Ladies' Nobby Black Taffeta Silk Coffee Coats, trimmed with
lace medallions—a \$7.50 \$4.98

Ladies' stylish Granite Cloth Waists (like cut), comes in some very
pretty shades—a \$1.75 75c

Ladies' handsome fine Flannel Waists, colors, red, blue, green and
black—a \$2.50 waist \$1.48

For \$7.50—We are going to put on sale Monday the grandest and best
bargain ever offered in Ladies' Fine Tailor-Made Suits, black and
colors—\$16.50 to \$23.50 suits,
for only \$7.50

For \$3.98—Here is a special bargain in Ladies' Tailor-Made Walking
Skirts, trimmed with buttons and tailor folds—a \$6.50 \$3.98

All Garments Altered Free of Charge.

**Shoe Specials.**

Fit out the children for school in some
of our bargains. The price is the faint-
est echo of their real wearing value.

Children's Tan Shoes, button and lace, sizes
8½ to 11—former prices \$1.25 and 49c
\$1.50—The Echo says.

Ladies' Oxford Ties, vici kid, solid shoe, sizes
2½ to 6—former price \$1.25— 69c
Echo says.

Misses' Oxfords and Low Shoes, kid and patent
leather, sizes 12 to 2—former price 85c
\$1.25—Echo says.

Butterick Patterns and Fashion Books and
Sheets for September now ready.

Undermuslins & Infants' Cloaks

Ladies' Muslin Gowns, yokes with embroidered
insertion and tucks, worth 65c— 50c
Special Sale Price.

Ladies' Skirt length Chemises, full width, of
good cambric; yoke with lace insertion and
edge, worth 75c—Special Sale 50c
Price.

A Beautiful Garment.

Infants' Long Bedford Cloak, Cape and Skirt,
handsomely trimmed in fancy braid and rib-
bon; worth \$4.50—Special \$3.00
Sale Price.

Infants' Short Cloaks, with double collar, rib-
bon and braid trimmed; worth \$2.75
\$3.98—Special Sale Price.

Infants' Long Cloaks, in Bedford cords, capes
and skirt trimmed with braid and ribbon;
worth \$3.50—Special Sale \$2.00
Price.

New Corsets.

The desirable Corset for the present
season is the new Habit Hip Model,
which gives the fashionable and correct
outline for prevailing styles. We have a
complete assortment in every popular,
make—prices from \$1.00 to \$15.00.

W. R. Habit Hip, low bust, straight front
—a perfect-fitting Corset— \$1.00
Special Sale Price.

Kabo Extension Hip, low bust—one of
their very new models—Special \$2.00
Sale Price.

La Vida, new deep hip model, in a variety of lengths
and materials—real whale-
bone—Special Sale \$5 and \$7.50
Price.

La Vida, new extension hip, in handsome silk batistes,
with jarretelles front and side, as ad-
vertised in leading fashion publica-
tions—Special Sale Price \$12.50

**Boys' Clothing
Department.**

One lot young men's and boys' long-
pants Suits, all wool, worth \$5.00—
Special Sale \$1.98
Price.

Boys' 2 and 3 piece Suits, strictly all
wool, very nobby, fancy mixtures,
suitable for fall wear, sizes 9 to 16,
worth \$5.50—Special \$2.75
Sale Price.

Boys' Laundered Waists, ages 6 to 11
years, worth 50c—Our 25c
Special Sale Price.

Boys' navy blue and fancy worsted
Caps, worth 50c—Our 25c
Special Sale Price.

**Steel Ranges.**

Six-Hole Steel Range, with
high warming closet, large
ventilated oven with cor-
rugated oven bottom,
large, heavy fire-box burn-
ing hard coal, soft coal or wood, made
entirely of refined cold-rolled steel plate
and lined throughout with heavy asbes-
tos board—set complete \$29.95
in the kitchen for only.

Any Range sold, if you so desire, on the easy
payment plan of a small pay- 10c per
ment down and balance day

A full line of all kinds of Heating Stoves for all
kinds of fuel now on sale. Make an early se-
lection before the lines are broken \$1.25
—Wood Heating Stoves as low as.

D. CRAWFORD & CO. Washington Avenue and Sixth Street D. CRAWFORD & CO.**SAVED HIS CROPS FROM CHARITON RIVER FLOOD.**

Judge Kern, Formerly of St. Louis, Digs a Deep Ditch Through His Farm of Two Thousand Acres and Thereby Enhanced Its Value From
Ten Dollars to One Hundred Dollars an Acre—New Dredge at Work Astonished the Natives, Who Are Now Eager to Put One to
Work on Their Own Property—Cost of Cutting the Channel Three Miles Long Already Has Been Covered by Benefits
Derived From It—Successful Experiment May Revolutionize Farming in the Bottoms of Northern Missouri.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
MACON, Mo., Sept. 7.—"A man don't really
live until he gets hold of a farm and be-
gins to enjoy a kinship with nature. I've
tried the other things, and I'm what the
lawyers would call 'qualified to testify.' The
rush and roar of the great city of St. Louis,
where I've lived, was music to my ears for
many years, and it is yet when I get there,
but there's a sweeter sound in the tinkle
of the cow bells across the meadow, the
melody of the daybreak songsters in the
bottom woodlands and the far-away cry
of the farmer boys rounding up the herds.
That's the way Judge R. H. Kern,
"Farmer Bob" Kern—expressed the contrast
of city and country life to the Republic
today, having run in for a few hours from
his Valley Township farm. When Judge
Kern began acquiring Macon County land
a few years ago the people wondered what
in the world he selected the land on the
Chariton for, where it was subject to over-
flows three or four times a season and was
regarded by the natives as practically
worthless for farming purposes.
Judge Kern now has 2,000 acres in the
vicinity of the Chariton River. A few years
ago most of this land was begonia at 10
an acre. Yet it is the best soil in Northern
Missouri, and when the turbulent stream
is conquered it will be as valuable as any
land in the country. Some of it this year
produced from seventy-five to 100 bushels
of corn to the acre; sixty bushels of oats
and from thirty-five to fifty bushels of
wheat. This land is now worth \$100 an
acre, and will yield 5 per cent on that
valuation.

"FARMER" KERN'S ENTERPRISE.
Many wealthy investors had located on
the Chariton before Judge Kern came. Hav-
ing bought large tracts of land for a long
time they could afford to spend some
money on the river, and elaborate systems
of dikes and levees were built, but when
the intractable river took a notion to go



JUDGE R. H. KERN'S MACON COUN-
TY HOME.

JUDGE R. H. KERN.
Successful Macon County farmer, former-
ly of St. Louis.

Judge Kern's river dredge at work cutting
a ditch 50 feet wide, 15 feet deep and 3
miles long through his farm.

visiting over the lowlands it went, and
the grain fields bowed to the invader. So
the thousands of dollars spent on the levee
scheme added nothing to the value of the
bottom land.
This summer "Farmer" Kern brought in
to the community a strange-looking agri-
cultural implement. The "boys" who had
grown gray struggling against the Char-
iton's floods gathered around it and won-
dered what sort of a "mill" the Judge was
going to run now. In truth the main part
of it did look a good deal like a sawmill
shanty, but there was no explaining the

derrick and scoop in front until they ob-
served their operation.
It is that cross between a Missouri River
ferry and a "jigger screen" at a coal tipple
that is raising the value of the Judge's Ma-
con County land from \$10 to \$100 an acre.

By the 1st of November the dredge will
have completed a waterway 50 feet wide,
11 feet deep and three miles long through
Mr. Kern's farm, and it has been scientific-
ally estimated that the heaviest flood that
ever came down the Chariton will there
find ample room for venting its destructive
tendencies.

DITCH SAVED CROPS THIS SPRING.
The dredge consumes 100 gallons of wa-
ter per day. One ton of coal, and excavates
200 feet in length, 12 feet in width and 6 feet
in depth. The dirt is thrown thirteen feet
from the edge of the excavation. It takes
a crew of five men to operate the machine.
Judge Kern had made several efforts to
have the County Court take charge of the
improvement along the whole length of the
Chariton River in the county, but a num-
ber of the land owners up the river, fearing a
heavy bonded debt, fought the movement,
and the Judge was left to battle it out alone.
During the floods this spring, the big ditch,
though only partially finished, paid for its
cost of construction in the salvation of
crops and the saving of the soil. There is
now no doubt that it was the only practical solution of
the overflow problem.

The result has been of interest to land-
owners everywhere, whose possessions are
subject to damage by high water to the ex-
tent that Judge Kern's method on the Char-
iton River, with a view to adopting it.

JUDGE KERN'S AMBITION.

In addition to the main ditch, surface
ditches leading to it are constructed every
1,000 feet. It is said that many of those who
opposed the ditch as a public enterprise are
now in favor of it, and the system may be
extended on down into the lower counties.

Judge Kern's Macon County farm repre-
sents an investment of \$200,000. This year
he raised 400 acres of corn, 200 of hay, 150
of small grain, 30 of millet, 25 of sorghum
and 1,000 acres of grass, to sustain 600 head
of cattle and 200 hogs.

The owner's ambition is, he says, "to raise
the best high grade beef cattle and hogs
that people must eat—nothing ornate-
mental; a few Kentucky saddle and harness
horses, and an occasional 'something else'
from Kentucky for the use of my friends."

During the heat of a political canvass
while back it was limited by the opposi-
tion that Judge Kern was only one of those
St. Louis magistrates that he never was a

real farmer. In truth, he is by long odds
the biggest farmer in the county, and a
good one.

BACK FROM AUTOMOBILE TRIP.

St. Louis Men Make Good Time on
Journey to Milwaukee.

Eugene S. Brooks of No. 5022 Washington
avenue and Sam Hreadon of the Halsey
Automobile Company have returned to St.
Louis after a motor trip to Milwaukee.
Wis. They are the first to make the journey
in an automobile from St. Louis.

Brooks and Hreadon made the trip in
thirty and one-half hours, which is consid-
ered good running time by experts through-
out the United States. The distance cov-
ered was 235 miles, part of which was over
bad roads. Several rain storms were en-
countered en route and the men lost their
way several times.

The best day's run was from St. Louis to
Springfield, Ill., a distance of 125 miles,
which was covered in six and one-half
hours. The distance to Springfield is 160
miles, but by losing their way the travelers
ran up the additional thirty miles. Relat-
ing incidents of the rest of the trip, Mr.
Brooks said:

"From St. Louis to Springfield the roads
are excellent, but from there to Bloomington
we ran through from four to eight
inches of mud. This was due to the heavy
rain, which fell the night before. From
Bloomington to Joliet we had smooth run-
ning, but from Joliet to Chicago the high-
way was very rocky. The roads from the
Windy City to Milwaukee are all that could

TRIED TO CHARM SNAKE.

Reptile Fatally Injured Young
Farmer Who Molested It.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Buckhanna, Pa., Sept. 6.—Imagining that
he was endowed with a charm to hypnotize
snakes, Reuben Cross, a young farmer, re-
siding at Flowers, near here, reached into
a barrel where a big rattlesnake had been
placed by a party of harvesters, and held
the reptile at arm's length.

He made mysterious passes about the
snake's head, but instead of being sub-
dued the snake darted its poisonous fangs
into Cross's wrist. He dropped the snake
and hastened to a physician. Despite the
best medical attention, Cross died.

Mr. Sprague says
Thousands of people praise the coffee served
at the Delicatessen Lunch Rooms.